TEST CHANGE

Mercury, Urine

0025050, MERCURY U

Specimen Requirements:	
Patient Preparation:	Diet, medication, and nutritional supplements may introduce interfering substances. Patients should be encouraged to discontinue nutritional supplements, vitamins, minerals, and nonessential~~non-essential~~ over-the-counter medications (upon the advice of their physician), and avoid shellfish and seafood for 48 to 72 hours. High concentrations of iodine may interfere with elemental testing. Collection of urine specimens from patients receiving iodinated or gadolinium-based contrast media should be avoided for a minimum of 72 hours post-exposure. Collection from patients with impaired kidney function should be avoided for a minimum of 14 days post-contrast media exposure.
Collect:	24-hour or random urine collection. Specimen must be collected in a plastic container. ARUP studies indicate that refrigeration of urine alone, during and after collection, preserves specimens adequately, if tested within 14 days of collection.
Specimen Preparation:	Transfer an 8 mL aliquot from a well-mixed collection to ARUP Trace Element-Free Transport Tubes (ARUP supply #43116). Available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect(TM) or contact ARUP Client Services at ~~(~~800-~~)~~ 522-2787. (Min: 1 mL)
Transport Temperature:	Refrigerated. Also acceptable: Room temperature or frozen.
Unacceptable Conditions:	Urine collected within 72 hours after administration of iodinated or gadolinium-based contrast media. Acid preserved urine. Specimens contaminated with blood or fecal material. Specimens transported in nontrace~~non-trace~~ element -free transport tube (with the exception of the original device).
Remarks:	Record total volume and collection time interval on transport tube and on test request form.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 week; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 year
Methodology:	Quantitative Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS)
Note:	
CPT Codes:	83825
New York DOH Approval Status:	This test is New York DOH approved.
Interpretive Data:	

Urine~~ary~~ mercury concentrations~~levels~~ predominantly reflect acute or chronic elemental or inorganic mercury exposure. Urine concentrations in unexposed individuals are typically less

than 10 ug/L. 24 hour urine concentrations of 30 to 100 ug/L may be associated with subclinical neuropsychiatric symptoms and tremors. Concentrations~~tremor while concentrations~~ greater than 100 ug/L can be associated with overt neuropsychiatric disturbances and tremors. Urine mercury levels may be useful in monitoring chelation therapy.

Elevated results may be due to skin or collection-related contamination, including the use of collection containers that are not certified to be trace element-free. If an elevated result is suspected to be due to contamination, confirmation with a second specimen collected in a certified trace element-free container is recommended.

Methodology: Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS)

~~Per 24h calculations are provided to aid interpretation for collections with a duration of 24 hours and an average daily urine volume. For specimens with notable deviations in collection time or volume, ratios of analytes to a corresponding urine creatinine concentration may assist in result interpretation.~~

~~This test was developed and its performance characteristics determined by ARUP Laboratories. It has not been cleared or approved by the US Food and Drug Administration. This test was performed in a CLIA certified laboratory and is intended for clinical purposes.~~

Reference Interval:

<table>
<tr><th>Test Number</th><th>Components</th><th>Reference Interval</th></tr>
<tr><td></td><td>Creatinine, Urine - per 24h</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td></td><td>
<table>
<tr><th>Age</th><th>Male (mg/d)</th><th>Female (mg/d)</th></tr>
<tr><td>3-8 years</td><td>140-700</td><td>140-700</td></tr>
<tr><td>9-12 years</td><td>300-1300</td><td>300-1300</td></tr>
<tr><td>13-17 years</td><td>500-2300</td><td>400-1600</td></tr>
<tr><td>18-50 years</td><td>1000-2500</td><td>700-1600</td></tr>
<tr><td>51-80 years</td><td>800-2100</td><td>500-1400</td></tr>
<tr><td>81 years and older</td><td>600-2000</td><td>400-1300</td></tr>
</table>
</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td>Mercury, Urine - per 24h</td><td>Less than or equal to ~~0.0~~20.0 microg/d</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td>Mercury, Urine - per volume</td><td>Less than or equal to ~~0.0~~5.0 microg/L</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td>Mercury, Urine - ratio to CRT</td><td>Less than or equal to ~~0.0~~20.0 microg/g CRT</td></tr>
</table>